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Mr. Allen Dulles,
Director,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Washington, District of Columbia.

My dear Sir:-

As a method of introducing myself
I have enclosed a service record.

Since my return from Burma, I have
been in attendance at the University of Colorado,
where I am taking full time work toward
the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. I am
studying Russian, and have gained sufficient
proficiency to make rough translations of
Russian scientific material.

I wish to make a study of the mineral
resources of the U.S.S.R. the subject of my
thesis, but to date, I have had difficulty in
locating the source material on which to base
these studies, either here or in England.

There is a limited amount of
Russian material in the libraries of the
University of Colorado and the Colorado School
of Mines nearby, to which I have access, since
I am an alumni of the later named Institution,
but this is mostly of a geological, mineralog-
ical and scientific nature, in which I am only
mildly interested.

I am more interested in the economic, industrial and the strategic implications of the mineral resources. I wish to study and report on a consolidation and correlation of such related subjects as, (1) the location, production, labor complement and reserves of major mining districts, (2) the transportation involved from districts to smelters to consumer, (3) the location, manpower reservoirs and the capabilities of these refining and processing facilities, both on a tonnage and quality basis, (4) the distribution of the final products, (5) quantities of exports and imports of minerals, together with the source of the imports.

Is the Central Intelligence Agency interested in cooperating in this type of a study ? If so, to what an extent ? Even your cooperation to the extent of helping locate the source material outlined will be appreciated. More extensive cooperation would be appreciated even more.

Sincerely yours,

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